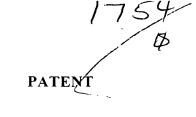
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Dear Sir,

RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action dated November 20, 2002. Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered and that the objections and rejections made in the action be reconsidered and withdrawn.

In the Drawing

Please amend the drawing to remove the title "Fig. 1" as shown on the enclosed sheet.

In the Specification

In the abstract, please delete the phrase "for the oxychlorination of ethylene to 1,2-dichloroethane" from the first line.

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